MEMORANDUM FOR: Doug

This is a bombshell. MacEachin is

I hav e alerted Norm Clyne on Nitze's behalf. Also contacted EURA anlyst

Aside from the immediate impact in the FRG of this poll, I judge this poll will prompt the media in other NATO countries, esp. the basing countries, to carry out similar polls -- probably with similar results.

Of course, it plays right into the hands of the Soviets.

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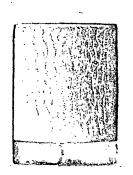


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- 2. IR NO: 6 834 0006 83
- 3. TITLE: GERMAN PUBLIC OPINION ON INF
- 4. DATE OF INFO: 830103
- 5. ORIG: USDAO BONN
- 6. REQ REFS: Toxxx-42015, Z-DI3-GE001.
- 7. SDÜRCE: OS: "DER SPIEGEL;" PROMINENT NEWS MAGAZINE
- 8. SUMMARY: THE RESULTS OF A RECENT POLL AMONG THE GERMAN POPULACE SHOW AN OVERWHELMING POPULAR SUPPORT OF COMPROMISE IN THE INF NEGOTIATIONS IN GENEVA. ACCORDING TO THE "DER" SPIEGEL" ARTICLE: "ANDROPOV'S DISARMAMENT OFFER HAS CONFUSED

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THE BONN COALITION PARTIES' ELECTION CAMPAIGN CONCEPT ... CONSERVATIVE POLITICAL LEADERS FEEL THAT THEIR VOTERS WOULD OBJECT TO A BLUNT THOT TO ANDROPOV'S PROPOSALS. . AS INDICATED BY RESULTS OF PUBLIC OPINION POLLS CONDUCTED BY THE MUNICH 'SINUST INSTITUTE, 54 PERCENT OF COUNCSU VOTERS AND TO PERCENT OF FDP SYMPATHIZERS ARE IN FAVOR OF POSTPONING DEPLOYMENT OF NEW INTERMEDIATE-RANGE MISSILES IN THE FRG IF THE U.S. AND THE USSR FAIL TO REACH AGREEMENT AT THE GENEVA DISARMAMENT NEGOTIATIONS BY THE FALL OF 1983... 56 PERCENT OF THE 1600 PERSONS QUESTIONED DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THERE WILL BE SUCH AGREEMENT, AND SS PERCENT DOUBT THAT THE U.S. AND THE USSR ARE NEGOTIATING SERIOUSLY ... 58 PERCENT TAKE THE VIEW THAT BONN SHOULD REJECT DEPLOYMENT OF PERSHING-2. AND CRUISE MISSILES IN THE FRG IF THE AMERICANS FAIL TO NEGOTIATE SERIOUSLY ... 49 PERCENT - AS COMPARED TO 45 PERCENT LAST YEAR SO ARE AFRAID OF U.S. MISSILES BECAUSE THEY WOULD INCREASE THE RISK OF NUCLEAR WAR ON GERMAN TERRITORY. ONLY 24 PERCENT -- AS COMPARED TO 30 LAST YEAR -BELIEVE DEPLOYMENT OF NEW U.S. NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN EUROPE WOULD MAKE PEACE MORE SECURE ... "

9A. DETAILS: NONE
9B. ORIG CMTS: THE CDU/CSU WILL BE STRONGLY TEMPTED TO
PUBLICLY CALL FOR COMPROMISE IN GENEVA TO PREVENT BEING
LABELED THE MISSILE PARTY IN THE ELECTIONS NOW SCHEDULED
FOR 6 MARCH 1983. THE FRANKFURTER RUNDSCHAU, A LEFT OF
CENTER DAILY PAPER, SAID OF THE SURVEY: "THE SURVEY
REFLECTS THE PEOPLE'S ACTUAL ATTITUDE TOWARD THE PLANNED
DEPLOYMENT IN THE FRG OF SOPHISTICATED U.S. NUCLEAR
MISSILES... THE CHANCELLOR AND THE GOVERNMENT PARTIES WILL
HAVE TO EXPLAIN WHY THEY TRIED TO WITHHOLD THE SINUS.
POLL RESULTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND WHY THEY ARE SO DISINCLINED
TO TALK ABOUT THE FEARS OF MILLIONS OF PEOPLE. IS THAT

INCOMPATIBLE WITH THEIR CONCEPT?"

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